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SUBJECT : STATE OF INDIANA IOGA TRADE MISSION

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1. WE HAVE LEARNED INDEPENDENTLY OF MARCH VISIT TO REGION BY INDIANA IOGA TRADE MISSION. MISSION COMPOSED OF IMPRESSIVE ARRAY OF HOUSING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION-RELATED INDIANA FIRMS. THIS EMBASSY STRONGLY URGES THAT ADVANCE MEN FOR INDIANA IOGA BE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT BAHRAIN FOR ONE DAY TO ASSESS LOCAL MARKET SITUATION WHICH WE THINK IS NOW RIPE FOR JUST THIS TYPE OF MISSION.

2. AS DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE AND STATE WILL RECALL (REFTTEL), EMBASSY RECEIVED HIGH LEVEL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON HOUSING FROM GOVERNMENT OF BAHRAIN LATE IN DECEMBER. PARTICULARLY IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY RESPONSE TO THAT QUERY OF OURS ABOUT WAYS WE MIGHT BE HELPFUL IN BRINGING TOGETHER BAHRAINI PLANNERS AND THE AMERICAN HOUSING INDUSTRY, IT APPEARS THAT THIS INDIANA MISSION IS MADE TO ORDER. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE MAXIMUM STATE/COMMERCE EFFORT TO CONVINCE INDIANA ADVANCE MEN TO INCLUDE BAHRAIN ON THEIR ITINERARY WITH THOUGHT THAT ENTIRE GROUP MIGHT BE BROUGHT TO BAHRAIN FROM DHAHRAN DURING ITS MARCH VISIT.

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